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### 1 Lab 2: Comparing Means

#### 1.1 w203 Statistics for Data Science

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Section: 1
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[3]: library(plyr)
    library(ggplot2)
    library(summarytools)
    library(coin)
    library(effsize)
    library(tidyverse)
    library(lsr)
    library(corrplot)
    library(rstatix)
    library(BSDA)
    library(ggrepel)
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[222]: A = read.csv("anes_pilot_2018.csv")
sprintf("ANES pilot 2018 dataset has %s rows and %s columns", nrow(A), ncol(A))
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### 2 Research Questions

#### 2.1 Question 1: Do US voters have more respect for the police or for journalists?

We would like to evaluate if there are significant differences in the respect measure between the groups polics and journalists.

We are interested in registered voters, we can use the **reg** variable ("Are you registered to vote, or not?") to determine if the survey respondent was a registered voter or not.

Second, there are 2 questions in the survey that prompted participants to gauge their rating of both the police and journalists based on a likert scale of 0 to 100. The resulting variables are:

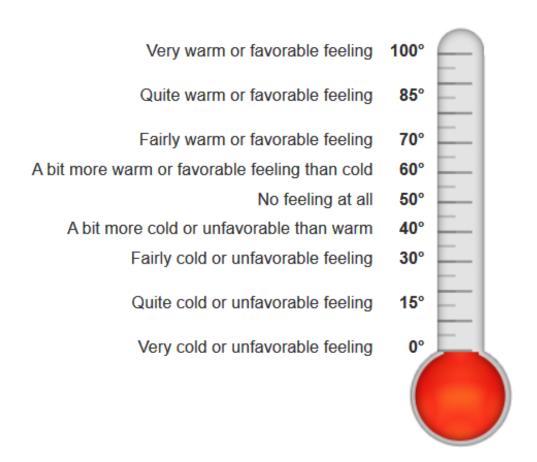
• ftpolice: "How would you rate the police?"

<sup>&#</sup>x27;ANES pilot 2018 dataset has 2500 rows and 767 columns'

• ftjournal: "How would rate journalists?"

Below is an image of the Widget UI used to collect these variables.

### Click on thermometer to give your rating.



#### 2.1.1 Perform an exploratory data analysis (EDA) of the relevant variables. (5 points)

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[223]: #Step 0: Make a copy of the original dataframe for further manipulation
A1 = data.frame(A)

#Step 1: Check to see that all of ftpolice's values are bound between 0 and 100.
ftp = A1$ftpolice

#remove any rows with values outside of our range (0 - 100)
ftp[ftp == -7] = NA
ftp[ftp == -1] = NA

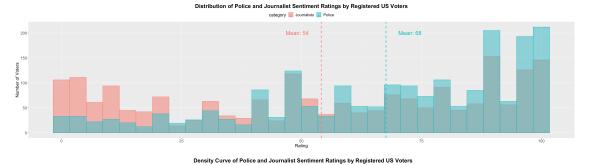
#perform sanity check that all values are within range
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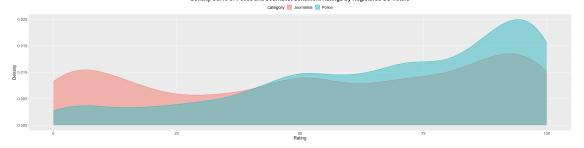
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stopifnot(max(ftp) <= 100) #check max value</pre>
stopifnot(min(ftp) >= 0) #check min value
#Step 2: Check to see that all of ftjournal's values are bound between 0 and
\rightarrow 100.
ftj = A1$ftjournal
#remove -7 or -1 values
ftj[ftj == -7] = NA
ftj[ftj == -1] = NA
#get min / max, ignore NA's
max_ftj <- max(ftj, na.rm = TRUE)</pre>
min_ftj <- min(ftj, na.rm = TRUE)</pre>
stopifnot(max_ftj <= 100) #check for max value</pre>
stopifnot(min_ftj >= 0) #checks for min value
#Step 3: Filter out non-registered voters from both the ftp and ftj vectors.
#Thus, we only keep respondents with a "1" or "2" to the reg variable
A1 = A1 %>% filter(reg %in% as.numeric(1:2)) #new table with reg == 1/2
A1\$ftjournal[A1\$ftjournal == -7] = NA
\#Step\ 4: create a data frame for both police and journalist and then combine in
→order to draw a combined histogram
dfp = data.frame(score = A1$ftpolice)
dfj = data.frame(score = A1$ftjournal)
dfp$category = "Police"
dfj$category = "Journalists"
dfc = rbind(dfp, dfj) #combined dataframe
#Step 4.1: Calculate the mean rating for journalists and police that will be
→used in our visual inspection via the histogram and density plot
mu = ddply(dfc, "category", summarize, grp.mean = mean(score, na.rm = TRUE), sd_
⇒= sd(score, na.rm = TRUE), grp.count = n())
j_{mean} = mu[1,2]
p_mean = mu[2,2]
#Step 5: Overlay histogram of both occupation groups to visualize differences
\rightarrow in rating distribution
options(repr.plot.width = 22, repr.plot.height = 15)
plot_theme = theme(plot.title = element_text(size = 20, hjust = .5, face = __ ...
→"bold"), axis.text = element_text(size = 14), axis.title = element_text(size_
\Rightarrow= 16),
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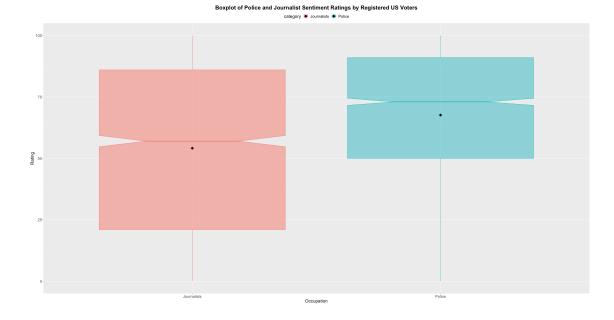
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legend.title = element_text(size = 16), legend.
 →text=element_text(size = 14), legend.position = "top",
                     strip.text.y = element_text(size = 16, color = "black", __
\rightarrowangle = 90))
histo = ggplot(dfc, aes(score, fill = category, color = category)) +
    geom_histogram(position = "identity", alpha = .5, bins = 30) +
    geom_vline(data = mu, aes(xintercept = grp.mean, color = category),__
 →linetype = "dashed", size = 1) +
    annotate(geom = "text", x = j_mean-5, y = 200, label = paste("Mean:", u
 \rightarrowround(j_mean, 0)), color = "#F8766D", size = 7) +
    annotate(geom = "text", x = p_mean + 5, y = 200, label = paste("Mean:", __
 \rightarrowround(p_mean, 0)), color = "#00BFC4", size = 7) +
    labs(title = "Distribution of Police and Journalist Sentiment Ratings by ⊔
→Registered US Voters", x = "Rating", y = "Number of Voters") +
    plot_theme
#Facet histogram: Alternative to overlaid histogram above
faceted = ggplot(dfc, aes(score, fill = category, color = category)) +
    geom_histogram(position = "identity", alpha = .5, bins = 30) +
    facet_grid(category ~ .) +
    geom_vline(data = mu, aes(xintercept = grp.mean, color = category),__
→linetype = "dashed", size = 1) +
    labs(title = "Distribution of Police and Journalist Sentiment Ratings by ⊔
 →Registered US Voters", x = "Age", y = "Number of Voters") +
    plot_theme
#Step 6: Create a density plot to compare distribution shape agnostic of binu
\hookrightarrow sizes
dens = ggplot(dfc, aes(score, fill = category, color = category)) +
    geom_density(position = "identity", alpha = .5) +
    labs(title = "Density Curve of Police and Journalist Sentiment Ratings by ⊔
\hookrightarrowRegistered US Voters", x = "Rating", y = "Density") +
    plot theme
#Step 7: Create notched boxplot to get a more precise reading of the rating ⊔
⇒score per occupation
bplot = ggplot(dfc, aes(y = score, x = category, fill = category, color = category, color = category)
→category)) +
    geom_boxplot(
        alpha = .5,
        outlier.color = "black",
        ymin=0,
        ymax=100,
        notch = TRUE) +
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'Summary of Feelings Toward Police and Journalists By Registered Voters'

		Category	Mean	Standard_Deviation	Count
A data.frame: $2 \times 4$		<fct></fct>	<dbl $>$	<dbl></dbl>	<int $>$
	1	Journalists	54.13	33.47	2023
	2	Police	67.62	27.57	2023







From the histogram, police possess a greater concentration of high scores than journalists.

The peaks of each density plot helps us identify where ratings are concentrated over the range. Journalist ratings have 3 local peaks, one interpretation, is that respondents were categorically divided in their perception of journalists; low, moderate and high regard. On the contrary, police ratings are left skewed with the peak towards the high end of the range, indicating that a large proportion of respondents held police officers with high regard.

The notched boxplot not only conveys a higher concentration of higher scores for police, it also shows the distribution is more right skewed than journalists. Additionally, because the notch displays the confidence interval around the median which is normally based on the median for police is higher than journalists, there is strong evidence that the means differ.

$$\pm 1.58 * IQR/sqrt(n)$$

(Where IQR is the interquartile range)

#### 2.1.2 Based on your EDA, select an appropriate hypothesis test. (5 points)

We will apply a paired two sample T-test and believe it's the most approriate choice for 4 reasons:

- 1. We're interested in knowing whether the mean difference between 2 groups (police and journalists) is different
- 2. Each observation is a random sample (independently and identically distributed) meaning that each observation is independent of one another
- 3. Despite non-normality of the underlying distributions, we have over 700 observations for each party, well over the n > 30 minimum requirement to invoke the Central Limit Theorem
- 4. The dependent variable, sentiment rating, is of interval type

#### Null hypothesis:

$$H_0: \mu_{police} = \mu_{journalist}$$

The Null hypothesis is there is no difference in terms of favorability/respect between police officers and journalists

#### Alternative hypothesis:

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H_a: \mu_{police} \neq \mu_{journalist}
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there is a difference in terms of favorability/respect between police officers and journalists

#### 2.1.3 Conduct your test. (5 points)

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[16]: #Shapiro-Wilk to nest normality; p-value < .05 implies that the distribution of the data are significantly different from normal distribution shapiro.test(dfp$score) #police scores shapiro.test(dfj$score) #journalist scores
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Shapiro-Wilk normality test

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data: dfp$score
W = 0.91291, p-value < 2.2e-16
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Shapiro-Wilk normality test

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data: dfj$score
W = 0.91559, p-value < 2.2e-16</pre>
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# [17]: #apply paired t-test to assess for statistical significance t.test(dfp\$score, dfj\$score, paired = TRUE, alternative = "two.sided")

Paired t-test

To assess for practical significance or the effect size, we will use Cohen's d, since the 2 groups have similar standard deviations and similar sample size (see mu group summary statistics in previous section).

We will also be using the below table to interpret the computed effect size of the d-value:

d	Effect Size
0.2 0.5 0.8	Small Medium Large

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[18]: #cohen's d for paired t-test to assess for practical significance cohens_d(score ~ category, data = dfc, paired = TRUE)
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group2
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                                                                magnitude
                                                    n1
                                   <chr>
                                          <dbl>
                                                    <int>
                                                          <int>
                                                                 \langle ord \rangle
                                   Police
                                          -0.2860288
                                                    2023
                                                          2023
                                                                 small
```

#### Q1 Results Interpretation

- Statistical significance: Because the computed p-value (2.2e-16) is very small, we can safely reject the null hypothesis and accept the alternative hypothesis there is a difference in terms of favorability between police officers and journalists
- Practical significance: Because the computed effect size of cohen's d test (-0.2860288) is between small and medium, we can conclude that magnitude of the difference between police and journalists are relatively minor. Thus, we can conclude that the magnitude of the mean difference of rating scores between the age of police officers and journalists is minor.

In conclusion, while the exploratory data analysis coupled with the paired T-test indicate that we can extrapolate that in general voters have a higher opinion (more respect) of police than they do of journalists. However, given the small effect size, the result should be taken with caution as it has limited practical significance.

## 2.2 Question 2: Are Republican voters older or younger than Democratic voters?

Our goal is to compare the mean age of Republican voters against Democratic voters and assess if the difference is statistically significant or not. In order to accomplish this, we must operationalize 2 variables of interest:

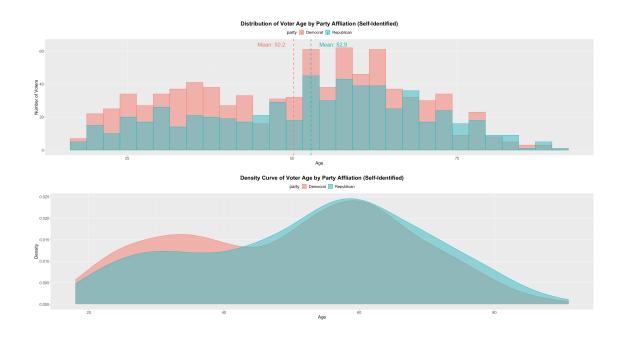
- Voter's age: According to the ANES user code book, there is a **birthyr** variable used to capture the birthyear of each respondent as part the profile data.
- Party affliation: Self-identified through variables such as **pid1d** or **pid1r** (Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or another political affliation?)

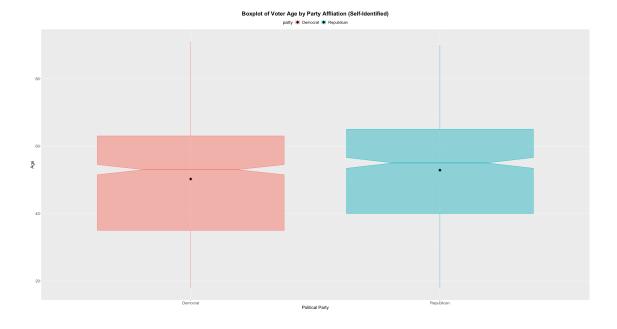
#### 2.2.1 Perform an exploratory data analysis (EDA) of the relevant variables. (5 points)

```
[19]: #create a copy of the original dataframe
       A2 = data.frame(A)
[225]: #Data transformation from pid1r responses
       df_r = select(A2, birthyr, pid1r) #pulls birthyr and pid1r values
       df_r$age = 2018 - A2$birthyr #computes age
       df_r$pid1r = replace(df_r$pid1r, df_r$pid1r == 1, "Democrat") #replaces 1 with_
        \rightarrowDemocrat
       df_r$pid1r = replace(df_r$pid1r, A2$pid1r == 2, "Republican") #replaces 2 with
        \rightarrowRepublican
       df_r = df_r %>% filter(pid1r == "Republican" | pid1r == "Democrat") #filter out_
        →all non Democrat and Republican values in pid1r
       names(df_r)[names(df_r) == "pid1r"] = "party" #renames pid1r with party
       df r = subset(df r, select = -c(birthyr)) #drop birthyr since it's no longer
        \rightarrowneeded
       # head(df r)
       # nrow(df_r)
[226]: #Data transformation from pid1d responses
       df d = select(A2, birthyr, pid1d) #pulls birthyr and pid1d values
       df_d$age = 2018 - A$birthyr #computes age
       df_d$pid1d = replace(df_d$pid1d, A2$pid1d == 1, "Democrat") #replaces 1 with
        \rightarrowDemocrat
       df_d$pid1d = replace(df_d$pid1d, A2$pid1d == 2, "Republican") #replaces 2 with_
        \rightarrowRepublican
       df d = df d %% filter(pid1d == "Republican" | pid1d == "Democrat") #filter out
       →all non Democrat and Republican values in pid1d
       names(df_d)[names(df_d) == "pid1d"] = "party" #renames pid1d with party
       df_d = subset(df_d, select = -c(birthyr)) #drop birthyr since it's no longer_
       \rightarrowneeded
       # head(df d)
       # nrow(df_d)
[228]: \#combine df_r and df_d
       df_p = rbind(df_d, df_r)
       #nrow(df_p)
       #create vector for each party
       repub = filter(df_p, party == "Republican")
       demo = filter(df_p, party == "Democrat")
       #nrow(repub) #sanity check that we have the correct total number of
       →self-identified Republicans
       #nrow(demo) #sanity check that we have the correct total number of
        \rightarrow self-identified Democrats
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stopifnot(nrow(repub) + nrow(demo) == nrow(df_p))
[229]: #computes the mean and standard deviation of age by party
      mu2 = ddply(df_p, "party", summarize, mean_age = mean(age, na.rm = TRUE),__

¬sd_age = sd(age, na.rm = TRUE))
      demo mean = mu2[1,2]
      repub_mean = mu2[2,2]
[24]: #Histogram
      histo2 = ggplot(df_p, aes(age, fill = party, color = party)) +
          geom_histogram(position = "identity", alpha = .5, bins = 30) +
          geom_vline(data = mu2, aes(xintercept = mean_age, color = party), linetypeu
       \rightarrow= "dashed", size = 1) +
          annotate(geom = "text", x = repub_mean - 6, y = 64, label = paste("Mean:", u
       \rightarrowround(demo_mean, 1)), color = "#F8766D", size = 7) +
          annotate(geom = "text", x = demo_mean + 6, y = 64, label = paste("Mean:", u
       →round(repub_mean, 1)), color = "#00BFC4", size = 7 ) +
          labs(title = "Distribution of Voter Age by Party Affliation_
       \hookrightarrow (Self-Identified)", x = "Age", y = "Number of Voters") +
          plot theme
[26]: #Density plot
      dens2 = ggplot(df_p, aes(age, fill = party, color = party)) +
          geom_density(position = "identity", alpha = .5) +
          labs(title = "Density Curve of Voter Age by Party Affliation_
       plot_theme
[230]: #histogram and density plot side by side
      plot_grid(histo2, NULL, dens2, ncol = 1, align = "h", rel_heights = c(2, .1, 2))
      #Notched boxplot
      box_p2 = ggplot(df_p, aes(y = age, x = party, fill = party, color = party)) +
          geom boxplot(alpha = .5, outlier.color = "black", notch = TRUE) +
          labs(title = "Boxplot of Voter Age by Party Affliation (Self-Identified)", U
       stat_summary(fun = mean, geom = "point", shape = 23, size = 4, fill =__
       →"black") +
          plot_theme
      box_p2
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From the histogram, density plot and boxplot, the distribution of voter age between Democrats and Republicans exhibit similar shape with the average age of Democrat voters slightly higher than Republican voters. Additionally, the mean, median, and range of of voter age between the 2 parties are similar.

#### 2.2.2 Based on your EDA, select an appropriate hypothesis test. (5 points)

We believe a two sided, two sample T-test is appropriate for 4 reasons:

- 1. We're interested in knowing whether there is a difference between 2 populations (self-professed Republicans and Democrats)
- 2. Each observation is a random sample (independently and identically distributed) from the population meaning that each observation is independent of one another
- 3. We have over 700 observations for each party, well over the n > 30 minimum requirement to invoke the Central Limit Theorem
- 4. The dependent variable, age, is continuous

Thus, we will conduct an independent two sample T-test to determine if the difference in mean voter age between self-identified Republicans and Democrats are statistically significant or not.

Null hypothesis: -  $H_0$ :  $\mu_{DemocratAge} = \mu_{RepublicanAge}$ ; there is no difference in mean age of Democrats and Republicans

Alternative hypothesis: -  $H_a: \mu_{DemocratAge} \neq \mu_{RepublicanAge}$ ; there is a difference in mean age of Democrats and Republicans

#### 2.2.3 Conduct your test. (5 points)

W = 0.96718, p-value = 1.679e-11

Welch Two Sample t-test

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[29]: #Shapiro-Wilk to nest normality; p-value < .05 implies that the distribution of the data are significantly different from normal distribution shapiro.test(df_d$age) #Democrat age shapiro.test(df_r$age) #Republican age

Shapiro-Wilk normality test

data: df_d$age
W = 0.97737, p-value = 1.922e-09

Shapiro-Wilk normality test

data: df_r$age
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[30]: #Two sample T-test to assess statistical significance t.test(age ~ party, data = df_p)
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data: age by party
t = -2.939, df = 1309.7, p-value = 0.00335
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
 -4.3723921 -0.8718651
sample estimates:
 mean in group Democrat mean in group Republican

50.23337 52.85550

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[31]: #Cohen's d to assess practical significance cohens_d(age ~ party, data = df_p)
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group2
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                                                                   n2
                                                                           magnitude
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                                       < chr >
                                                  <dbl>
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                                                                   \langle int \rangle
                                      Republican
                                                 -0.1557597
                                                            857
                                                                   609
                                                                           negligible
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#### **Q2** Results Interpretation

- Statistical significance: Because the two sample T-test's p-value (0.00335) is smaller than .05, we reject the null hypothesis and accept the alternative (there is a difference in mean age between Democrats and Republicans)
- Practical significance: Because the computed d-value is -0.155755 (the sign of Cohen's d is determined by which group mean is selected first. Thus, it indicates that we had a mean increase from Democrat to Republican. The same mean difference, but flipped (i.e. Republican first and Democrat second) would give us the same value, but positive instead. Therefore, the sign doesn't tell us anything about the effect size), the practical significance is negligible. Thus, we can conclude the magnitude of the mean difference between the age of Democrats and Replublicans is minor.

In conclusion, the exploratory data analysis coupled with the T-test as well as Cohen's d provide strong evidence that the age difference between self-identified Democrats and Republicans are not significant, from both a statistical and practical perspective.

## 2.3 Question 3: Do a majority of independent voters believe that the federal investigations of Russian election interference are baseless?

Our goal is to determine if a majority of independent voters believe the Russian election inteference are baseless. In order to accomplish this, we need to define 3 parameters to conduct the analysis:

- 1. Majority definition: We define a majority to be over 50% (i.e. simple majority)
- 2. Party identification: For the same rationale as Question 2, we believe self-identification provides the strongest and cleanest indicator of respondent's political party affliation and once again use variables pid1r and pid1d
- 3. Belief that the Federal investigations of Russian election inteference are baseless: Three variables in our data set seem highly relevant to this question:
  - Whether or not the Russians interfered in the 2016 presidential election (russia16)
  - Whether Donald Trump's 2016 campaign coordinated with the Russian government (co-ord16)
  - Do you approve, disapprove, or neither approve nor disapprove of Robert Mueller's investigation of Russian interference in the 2016 election? (muelleriny)

Since the question asks about the validity of the subsequent Federal investigation, we will use the variable **muellerinv** to measure the survey respondents' perception on the quality of the investigation that was led by Robert Mueller. The corresponding question asks respondents:

"Do you approve, disapprove, or neither approve nor disapprove of Robert Mueller's investigation of Russian interference in the 2016 election?."

We believe this variable is preferred to the others because approval of the investigation is a strong indicator whether independent voters believe that the investigation was baseless.

#### 2.3.1 Perform an exploratory data analysis (EDA) of the relevant variables. (5 points)

[32]: #create a copy of the original dataframe

df\_mueller = rbind(df\_muel\_r, df\_muel\_d)

 $\rightarrow$  value) to NA

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A3 = data.frame(A)
[231]: #data extraction and manipulation from muellerinv and pid1r variables
       df muel r = select(A3, muellerinv, pid1r)
       df_muel_r$pid1r = replace(df_muel_r$pid1r, df_muel_r$pid1r == 3, "Independent")__
        →#replaces 3 with Independent
       df_muel_r = df_muel_r %>% filter(pid1r == "Independent") #filter out all non 3_L
        \rightarrow values in pid1r
       names(df muel r) [names(df muel r) == "pid1r"] = "party" #renames pid1r with,
        \rightarrow party
       names(df_muel_r)[names(df_muel_r) == "muellerinv"] = "inv_rating" #renames_
        → muellerinv with inv_rating (investigation rating)
       \#df\_emo\$anger = factor(df\_emo\$anger, levels = 1:5, labels = c("Not at all", "A_{\sqcup}")
        →little", "Somewhat", "Very", "Extremely"), ordered = TRUE) #factorize
        → integer values to 5 emotion levels
       #nrow(df_muel_r)
       #head(df_muel_r)
[232]: #data extraction and manipulation from muellerinv and pid1d variables
       df muel d = select(A3, muellerinv, pid1d)
       df_muel_d$pid1d = replace(df_muel_d$pid1d, df_muel_d$pid1d == 3, "Independent")u
        →#replaces 3 with Independent
       df_muel_d = df_muel_d %>% filter(pid1d == "Independent") #filter out all non 3_L
        \rightarrow values in pid1r
       names(df_muel_d)[names(df_muel_d) == "pid1d"] = "party" #renames pid1r with_
        \hookrightarrow party
       names(df_muel_d)[names(df_muel_d) == "muellerinv"] = "inv_rating" #renames_
        →muellerinv with inv_rating (investigation rating)
       #nrow(df_muel_d)
       #head(df_muel_d)
[233]: #combine df_muel_r and df_muel_d
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df\_mueller\$inv\_rating[df\_mueller\$inv\_rating == -7] = NA #recode no answers (-7\_1)

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→c("Approve extremely strongly", "Approve moderately strongly", "Approve
        ⇒slightly", "Neither approve nor disapprove",
                                            "Disapprove slightly", "Disapprove,
        →moderately strongly", " Disapprove extremely strongly"), ordered = TRUE)
        ⇒#add an ordered response scale column
       df_mueller$sentiment = cut(df_mueller$inv_rating, c(0,3,4,7), c("Approve", __
        →"Neutral", "Disapprove"), ordered = TRUE) #maps 1:3 response value to_
        → "Approved," 4 to "Neutral" and 5:7 to "Disapprove"
       df_mueller$inv_rating = factor(df_mueller$inv_rating, levels = 1:7, ordered =__
        →TRUE) #factorize integer values ordered levels
       df_mueller = df_mueller[c(2,1,3,4)] #reoders column index
       #unique(df mueller$inv rating) #sanity check to make sure there values 1:7 exist
       \#unique(df\_mueller\$party) \#sanity check that only Independent value should be \sqcup
       \rightarrowpresent
       #nrow(df mueller)
       #head(df_mueller)
[235]: #scale specific data frame to plot out the distribution
       df mueller scale = df mueller %>%
           group_by(inv_scale) %>%
           tally() %>%
           mutate(perc = n / sum(n) * 100) \%>\%
           group by(inv scale)
       names(df_mueller_scale)[names(df_mueller_scale) == "n"] = "count" #renames n to_{\sqcup}
        \hookrightarrow count
       stopifnot(sum(df_mueller_scale$count)==767) #sanity check to make sure sum of ____
       →count equals to 767
       stopifnot(sum(df_mueller_scale$perc)==100) #sanity check to make sure sum of
        →perc equals to 100%
       #df_mueller_scale
[37]: #histogram of response sentiment by count
       muel_count = ggplot(df_mueller_scale, aes(x = inv_scale, y = count, fill = __ 
        →inv_scale)) +
           geom_bar(stat = "identity") +
           geom_text(aes(label = count), hjust = -0.3, size = 6) +
           coord_flip() +
           labs(title = "Sentiment Towards Robert Mueller's Investigation of Russian, )
        →Interference in the 2016 Election",
                x = "Sentiment Scale", y = "Number of Independent Respondents") +
           scale_fill_discrete(name = "Sentiment Scale") +
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df\_mueller\$inv\_scale = cut(df\_mueller\$inv\_rating, c(0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7),\_\_

plot\_theme

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[38]: #histogram of response sentiment by proportion

options(repr.plot.width = 22, repr.plot.height = 16)

muel_prop = ggplot(df_mueller_scale, aes(x = inv_scale, y = perc, fill = inv_scale)) +

geom_bar(stat = "identity") +

geom_text(aes(label = paste(round(perc,1),"%")), hjust = -0.05, size = 6) +

coord_flip() +

labs(title = "Sentiment Towards Robert Mueller's Investigation of Russian in the 2016 Election",

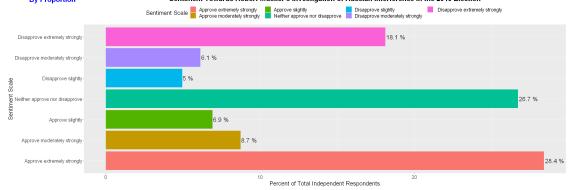
x = "Sentiment Scale", y = "Percent of Total Independent Respondents") in the scale_fill_discrete(name = "Sentiment Scale") +

plot_theme
```

[39]: #Side by side plots of count and proportion

plot\_grid(muel\_count, NULL, muel\_prop, ncol = 1, align = "v", rel\_heights = c(1, .1, 1), labels = c("By Count", "", "By Proportion"), label\_size = 20, Lot = "blue")





From the distribution of both count and sentiment plots, there are 2 spikes that can be observed:

1. Almost 23% of respondents had a neutral sentiment

2. Approximately 43% of Independent respondents approved Robert Mueller's investigation, with 66% (28.4 / 43) of the total from the "Approve extremely strongly" category

From the visualization alone, there is evidence to indicate Independent respondents are split in their overall sentiment towards how well Robert Mueller and the FBI executed the investigation of Russian interference in the 2016 Presidential election.

Next, we will collapse the different sentiment scale into 3 overall buckets (Approve, Neutral, Disapprove) to gain a better understanding of the overall belief, which will also be used to test both the statistical and practical significance of whether a majority of Independent voters believe that the federal investigations of Russian election interference are baseless. Specifically, the mapping of sentiment scale to category is:

- **Approve** = Approve extremely strongly (1) or Approve moderately strongly (2) or Approve slightly (3)
- **Neutral** = Neither approve nor disapprove (4)
- **Disapprove** = Disapprove slightly (5) or Disapprove moderately strongly (6) or Disapprove extremely strongly (7)

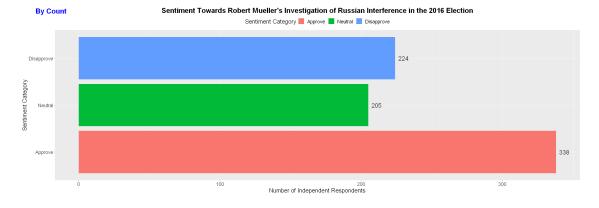
```
x = "Sentiment Category", y = "Number of Independent Respondents") +
scale_fill_discrete(name = "Sentiment Category") +
plot_theme
```

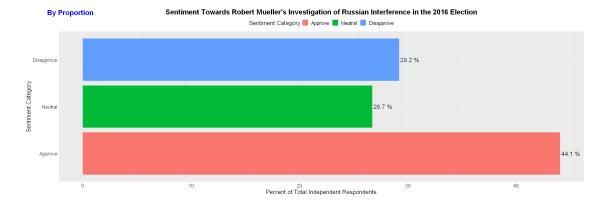
[43]: #Side by side plots of count and proportion in categories

plot\_grid(muel\_count\_cat, NULL, muel\_prop\_cat, ncol = 1, align = "v",

→rel\_heights = c(1, .15, 1), labels = c("By Count", "", "By Proportion"),

→label\_size = 20, label\_colour = "blue")





After collapsing individual sentiment scales into their respective categories, it appears that 44% of Independent respondents approve of Robert Mueller's handling of the Russian intereference investigation.

#### 2.3.2 Based on your EDA, select an appropriate hypothesis test. (5 points)

We will apply the one sample Wilcoxon Signed Rank test to determine if the median sentiment value of Independents is different than the neutral rating of a 4. We're taking a non-parametric approach in lieu of a T-test because the underlying data are ordinal, which is not appropriate for a T-test, since ordinal data doesn't have a normal distribution. Thus, means and variances are arbitrary with ordinal data, and hence the t-statistic is also arbitrary. hence, with Likert scale data, the T-test is inappropriate and uninterpretable.

Null hypothesis: -  $H_0$ :  $\mu = 4$ ; there is no difference in the sentiment (neutral) of Independent voters on their view of how the Russian interference investigation was handled

Alternative hypothesis: -  $H_a$ :  $\mu \neq 4$ ; there is a difference in the sentiment (non-neutral) of Independent voters on their view of how the Russian interference investigation was handled

#### 2.3.3 Conduct your test. (5 points)

```
[44]: #one sample Wilcoxon Signed Ranked test to test against median = 4 (neutral
→sentiment) and the 95% CI falls between (3.5, 4). Rating of 1-3 = Approve
df_sign = select(df_mueller, party, inv_rating)
df_sign$inv_rating = as.numeric(df_sign$inv_rating)

df_sign %>% wilcox_test(inv_rating ~ 1, mu = 4, detailed = TRUE) %>%⊔
→add_significance()
```

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estimate
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                        3.999955
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                                                 1
                                                                        767
                                                                                  62103.5
                                                                                            4.89e-06
                                                                                                       3.499971
```

We will also be using the below table to interpret the computed effect size:

R	Effect Size
0.1	Small
0.3	Medium
0.5	Large

#### **Q3** Results Interpretation

- Statistical significance: Because the one sample Wilcoxon Signed Ranked test returned a p-value of 4.89e-06 against our median of 4 (neutral sentiment) that's much smaller than our alpha of .05, we can reject the null hypothesis. Additionally, based on the 95% confidence interval of ~(3.5, 4), the true population sentiment of Independent voters is that they slightly approve Mueller's investigation but borders on neutral (neither approve or disapprove). However, we cannot say that a majority of Independent voters believed the investigation was baseless.
- Practical significance: Because the computed r value is ~0.17, the practical significance is small. Thus, we can conclude that magnitude of the difference between Independent voter's belief regarding Russian interference in the 2016 presidential election is negligible.

In conclusion, while there is a difference in belief, among self-identified Independent voters, of approval sentiments of Mueller's investigation of the 2016 presidential election, we cannot claim that a majority of the self-identified Independents believe the investigation was baseless.

## 2.4 Question 4: Was anger or fear more effective at driving increases in voter turnout from 2016 to 2018?

Our goal is to understand levels of voter fear and anger as a measure of influence to voter turnout. Specifically, we wish to determine which of the 2 emotions play a more contributing factor to voter turnout. To conduct the analysis, we will need to operationalize 3 variables:

- 1. Anger
- 2. Fear
- 3. Voter turnout

From the ANES survey, there is a question called Global Emotion Battery (GEB) that prompts respondents to rank their sentiment towards a specific emotion with respect to the way things are going in the country these days. Two of the emotions listed are anger (geangry) and fear (geafraid), which will use for the analysis.

We operationalize the definition of increased turnout sample to include those respondents that voted in 2018 versus those who did not vote. We are not comparing voters in 2018 with 2016 to deduce this because we are not arguing whether increased turnout happened in this research, but rather taking it on face value that it did and relying on other research that has shown the 2018 off-cycle election did indeed have higher turnout.

We would also need the same GEB question and response data for the 2016 election as a baseline if we wish to understand which of the 2 emotions *caused* the increase in voter turnout.

We make the assumption that turnout was higher and evaluate which emotion, anger or fear, was the more influential in the 2018 election. The variable of interest and its associated prompt is:

• turnout18: In the election held on November 6, did you definitely vote in person on election day, vote in person before Nov 6, vote by mail, did you definitely not vote, or are you not completely sure whether you voted in that election?

For respondents that were not sure if they voted in 2018, they were asked: "If you had to guess, would you say that you probably did vote in the election held on November 6, or probably did not vote in that election?" This is an example of a leading question and forces the user to recall from memory, which has been shown to cause memory error or the incorrect recall of information.

For this reason, we have excluded any "Probably did vote" responses to minimize contamination of unreliable data into the analysis.

#### 2.4.1 Perform an exploratory data analysis (EDA) of the relevant variables. (5 points)

```
[46]: #create a copy of the original dataframe
A4 = data.frame(A)
```

```
[47]: #Create a new dataframe with geangry, geafraid and turnout18 variables/columns
      df emo = select(A4, geangry, geafraid, turnout18)
      names(df emo) [names(df emo) == "geangry"] = "anger" #renames qeangry to anger
      names(df_emo)[names(df_emo) == "geafraid"] = "afraid" #renames geafraid to fear
      names(df_emo)[names(df_emo) == "turnout18"] = "voted18" #renames turnout18 to__
       \rightarrow voted18
      df_emo$anger[df_emo$anger == -7] = NA #recode no answers (-7 value) to NA
      df emo$afraid[df emo$afraid == -7] = NA #recode no answers (-7 value) to NA
      df_emo$anger = factor(df_emo$anger, levels = 1:5, labels = c("Not at all", "A_L
       ⇔little", "Somewhat", "Very", "Extremely"), ordered = TRUE) #factorize⊔
      → integer values to 5 emotion levels
      df emo$afraid = factor(df emo$afraid, levels = 1:5, labels = c("Not at all", "A
       ⇒little", "Somewhat", "Very", "Extremely"), ordered = TRUE) #factorize_
       →integer values into 5 emotion levels
      df_emo$voted18 = ifelse(df_emo$voted18 %in% 1:3, "Voted", "Not Voted")
       →#response value of 1:3 indicates the respondent voted in 2018
      df_emo$voted18 = factor(df_emo$voted18, levels = c("Voted", "Not Voted"),__
       →ordered = TRUE) #factorize values into 2 levels (voted and not voted)
      summary(df_emo)
      head(df_emo, 10)
```

```
anger
                       afraid
                                     voted18
Not at all:527
                Not at all:607
                                Voted
                                         :1842
A little :470
               A little :572
                                Not Voted: 658
Somewhat :576
                Somewhat:602
Very
         :469
                          :426
                Very
Extremely:455
                Extremely:287
NA's
         : 3
                NA's
                          : 6
```

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afraid
                                                     voted18
                               anger
                                          <ord>
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                              A little
                                          A little
                                                     Voted
                            2
                              Somewhat Extremely
                                                     Not Voted
                            3
                              Somewhat A little
                                                     Not Voted
                              Not at all
                                         Not at all
                                                     Not Voted
      A data.frame: 10 \times 3
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                                          Somewhat
                                                    Voted
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                            7
                              Not at all
                                        Very
                                                     Voted
                            8 Not at all
                                         Somewhat
                                                    Voted
                           9
                              Somewhat Not Voted
                          10 Very
                                          Verv
                                                     Voted
[237]: #Change wide format into long format by collapsing fear and afraid into au
        ⇒single variable called "emotion_type"
       df_emo2 = df_emo %>% gather(emotion_type, scale, 1:2, factor_key = TRUE)
       df_emo2$scale = factor(df_emo2$scale, levels = c("Not at all", "A little", |
        → "Somewhat", "Very", "Extremely"), ordered = TRUE) #factorize values into 2
        → levels (voted and not voted)
       stopifnot(nrow(df emo2)==5000) #sanity check to make sure there are 5000 rows
        → (2500 * 2)
       #head(df_emo2)
[240]: #create an "anger" specific datafram with relative proportion between voters
        \rightarrow and non-voters
       df_angry_voted = df_emo2 %>% #voters df
           filter(emotion_type == "anger" & voted18 == "Voted") %>%
           group by(scale, voted18) %>%
           tally() %>% #counts the number of responses
           group by(voted18) %>%
           mutate(percent = n/sum(n) * 100) \%>\%
           arrange(voted18)
       df_angry_not_voted = df_emo2 %>% #non voters df
           filter(emotion_type == "anger" & voted18 == "Not Voted") %>%
           group_by(scale, voted18) %>%
           tally() %>% #counts the number of responses
           group_by(voted18) %>%
           mutate(percent = n/sum(n) * 100) \% \%
           arrange(voted18)
       df_angry = rbind(df_angry_voted, df_angry_not_voted)
       names(df_angry)[names(df_angry) == "n"] = "count" #renames n to count
       df angry$emo = "Anger"
       df angry = df angry [c(5, 2, 1, 3, 4)] #reoders column index
```

```
stopifnot(sum(df_angry$count)==2500) #sanity check total adds up to 2500
stopifnot(sum(df_angry$percent)==200) #sanity check that total percent adds up

→ to 100
#df_angry
#df_angry
```

```
[241]: #create an "afraid" specific datafram with relative proportion between voters
       \rightarrow and non-voters
      df afraid voted = df emo2 %>% #voters df
           filter(emotion_type == "afraid" & voted18 == "Voted") %>%
           group_by(scale, voted18) %>%
           tally() %>% #counts the number of responses
           group by(voted18) %>%
           mutate(percent = n/sum(n) * 100) \%>\%
           arrange(voted18)
      df_afraid_not_voted = df_emo2 %>% #non voters df
           filter(emotion_type == "afraid" & voted18 == "Not Voted") %>%
           group_by(scale, voted18) %>%
           tally() %>% #counts the number of responses
           group_by(voted18) %>%
           mutate(percent = n/sum(n) * 100) \% \%
           arrange(voted18)
      df_afraid = rbind(df_afraid_voted, df_afraid_not_voted)
      names(df afraid)[names(df afraid) == "n"] = "count" #renames n to count
      df_afraid$emo = "Afraid"
      df_afraid = df_afraid[c(5,2,1,3,4)] #reoders column index
      stopifnot(sum(df_afraid$count) == 2500) #sanity check total adds up to 2500
      stopifnot(sum(df_afraid$percent)==200) #sanity check that total percent adds up ∪
       → to 100
       #df_afraid
```

```
[242]: #combine both df_angry and df_afraid into a single dataframe for visualization

and analysis

df_all = rbind(df_afraid, df_angry)

df_all$emo = factor(df_all$emo, levels = c("Anger", "Afraid"), ordered = TRUE)

#factorize values into 2 levels (voted and not voted)

stopifnot(sum(df_all$count)==5000) #sanity check to make sure it adds up to

5000 (2500 * 2 df)

stopifnot(sum(df_all$percent)==400) #sanity check to make sure the percent adds

up to 400 (100 * 2 df)

df_all
```

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voted18
                            emo
                                                             count
                                                                     percent
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                            Afraid
                                     Voted
                                                 Not at all
                                                             418
                                                                     22.6927253
                            Afraid
                                     Voted
                                                 A little
                                                             423
                                                                     22.9641694
                            Afraid
                                     Voted
                                                 Somewhat
                                                             433
                                                                     23.5070575
                            Afraid
                                     Voted
                                                 Very
                                                             343
                                                                     18.6210641
                            Afraid
                                     Voted
                                                 Extremely
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                                                                     11.9978284
                                     Voted
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                            Afraid
                                                             4
                                                                     0.2171553
                            Afraid
                                     Not Voted
                                                 Not at all
                                                             189
                                                                     28.7234043
                                     Not Voted
                            Afraid
                                                 A little
                                                             149
                                                                     22.6443769
                            Afraid
                                     Not Voted
                                                 Somewhat
                                                             169
                                                                     25.6838906
                            Afraid
                                     Not Voted
                                                 Verv
                                                             83
                                                                     12.6139818
                            Afraid
                                     Not Voted
                                                 Extremely
                                                             66
                                                                     10.0303951
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                                     Not Voted
                            Afraid
                                                 NA
                                                             2
                                                                     0.3039514
                            Anger
                                     Voted
                                                 Not at all
                                                             342
                                                                     18.5667752
                            Anger
                                     Voted
                                                 A little
                                                             346
                                                                     18.7839305
                                     Voted
                                                 Somewhat
                                                             393
                            Anger
                                                                     21.3355049
                                     Voted
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                            Anger
                                                                     20.5754615
                            Anger
                                     Voted
                                                 Extremely
                                                             380
                                                                     20.6297503
                                     Voted
                                                 NA
                                                             2
                            Anger
                                                                     0.1085776
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                                                                     18.8449848
                                     Not Voted
                            Anger
                                                 Somewhat
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                                                                     27.8115502
                            Anger
                                     Not Voted
                                                 Very
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                                                                     13.6778116
                            Anger
                                     Not Voted
                                                Extremely
                                                             75
                                                                     11.3981763
                            Anger
                                     Not Voted
                                                NA
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                                                                     0.1519757
[52]: #Response count by emotion and scale
      options(repr.plot.width = 28, repr.plot.height = 15)
      emo_c = ggplot(df_all, mapping = aes(x = voted18, y = count, fill = scale)) +
           facet_wrap(~ emo) +
           geom_col() +
           geom_text(aes(label = count, y = count), size = 5, position =_
       →position_stack(vjust = 0.5), color = "white") +
           stat_summary(fun = sum, aes(label = ..y.., group = voted18), size = 5, geomu
       \rightarrow= "text", vjust = -.25) +
           annotate(geom = "text", x = 2, y = 1800, label = "Total: 2,500", color = (x + 1)^2
       \rightarrow"blue", size = 6) +
           labs(title="Emotional Battery Response", y = "Number of Responses", x = ⊔
       →"Did You Vote in 2018?") +
           theme(strip.text.x = element_text(size = 18, color = "black")) +
           plot theme
      emo_c = emo_c + scale_fill_discrete(name = "Emotional Scale")
```

scale

emo p = ggplot(df all, mapping = aes(x = voted18, y = percent, fill = scale)) +

[53]: #Response proprotion by emotion and scale

facet\_wrap(~ emo) +

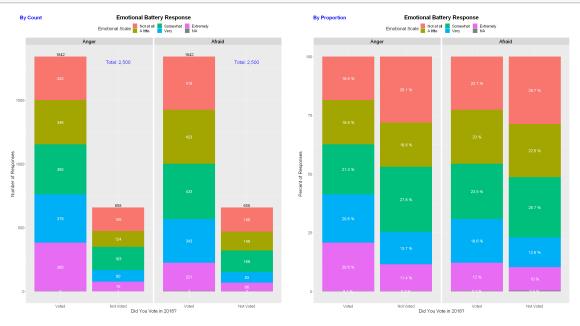
```
geom_col() +
  geom_text(aes(label = paste(round(percent,1),"%")), size = 5, position = □
  position_stack(vjust = 0.5), color = "white") +
  #annotate(geom = "text", x = 1.5, y = 105, label = "Total : 2,500", color = □
    "blue", size = 6) +
    labs(title = "Emotional Battery Response", y = "Percent of Responses", x = □
    "Did You Vote in 2018?") +
    theme(strip.text.x = element_text(size = 18, color = "black")) +
    scale_fill_discrete(name = "Emotional Scale") +
    plot_theme
```

```
[54]: #Side by side plots of count and proportion

plot_grid(emo_c, NULL, emo_p, nrow = 1, align = "v", rel_widths = c(2, .1, 2),

→labels = c("By Count", "", "By Proportion"), label_size = 18, label_colour =

→"blue")
```



There were disproportionately more voters than non-voters in the 2018 election by almost a 3x factor. When we examine the scale of emotional response with respect to both anger and fear (afraid), it seems that voters were more emotionally charged than non-voters. For example, over 40% of voters said they felt extremely or very angry with the way things were going in 2018 while only 25% of non-voters felt the same way.

Similarly, over 30% voters stated that they were extremely or very fearful of how things were in 2018 while less than 23% of non-voters responded with the same emotional degree.

Qualified voters who had a more extreme representation of their emotional state seem to be more compelled to vote in 2018.

#### 2.4.2 Based on your EDA, select an appropriate hypothesis test. (5 points)

Due to the way the Emotional Battery Response data are formatted (i.e. ordinal data and with factors), the assumptions of conventional parametric statistical analysis are often violated. Thus, we turn to the **Wilcoxon Ranked Sum (Mann–Whitney U) and chi-square test**. We believe the two-sample Wilcoxon Ranked Sum test to be appropriate for 4 reasons:

- 1. We are interested in knowing if anger or fear is different (higher or lower) between voters and non-voters
- 2. Each observation in the sample is independent of one another
- 3. Dependent variable, sentiment rating, is of interval data type
- 4. Independent variable, voter status, is a factor with 2 levels or groups

#### Wilcoxon Ranked Sum test hypothese Anger

Null hypothesis: -  $H_0$ :  $\mu_{voterAnger} = \mu_{nonVoterAnger}$ ; The two groups are sampled from populations with identical distributions and there is no difference in values between voters and non-voters with respect to the anger sentiment

Alternative hypothesis: -  $H_a$ :  $\mu_{voterAnger} \neq \mu_{nonVoterAnger}$ ; The two groups are sampled from populations with different distributions and there is a difference in values between voters and non-voters with respect to the anger sentiment

#### Fear (Afraid)

Null hypothesis: -  $H_0$ :  $\mu_{voterFear} = \mu_{nonVoterFear}$ ; The two groups are sampled from populations with identical distributions and there is no difference in values between voters and non-voters with respect to the fear sentiment

Alternative hypothesis: -  $H_a$ :  $\mu_{voterFear} \neq \mu_{nonVoterFear}$ ; The two groups are sampled from populations with different distributions and there is a difference in values between voters and non-voters with respect to the fear sentiment

Additionally, since we are dealing with categorical variables, the chi-square test of independence is the most approriate. Specifically, we will use the chi-square test to conduct two separate tests to determine if there are any significant relationships between either emotion of interest (anger and fear) with voter turnout in 2018. The chi-square tests will be used to used to compare the distribution our categorical variables of anger and fear in a sample. If the distribution of the anger or fear is not much different over different groups (voters and non-voters), we can conclude the distribution of the anger and fear categorical variables are not related to the different groups. Or we can say the categorical variable and groups are independent. In the event that both anger and fear are related to either groups, then we will use the effect size to determine which emotion is more influential. Thus, there are 2 chi-square tests that we will conduct one for each emotion variable.

#### Chi-squre test hypothese Anger

Null hypothesis:

•  $H_0$  anger: Distribution of responses for both voters and non-voters are those stated in the percent column of df anger; no association between anger and voter turnout

Alternative hypothesis:

•  $H_a anger$ : Distribution of responses for both voters and non-voters are different than those stated in the percent column of df\_anger; association between anger and voter turnout

#### Fear (Afraid)

Null hypothesis:

•  $H_0 fear$ : Distribution of responses for both voters and non-voters are those stated in the percent column of df\_afraid; no association between fear and voter turnout

Alternative hypothesis:

•  $H_a fear$ : Distribution of responses for both voters and non-voters are different than those stated in the percent column of df\_afraid; association between fear and voter turnout

#### 2.4.3 Conduct your test. (5 points)

#### 2.4.4 Wilcoxon Ranked Sum test (Mann–Whitney U)

```
[55]: A4a = data.frame(A)

[56]: df_w = select(A4a, geangry, geafraid, turnout18)

names(df_w)[names(df_w) == "geangry"] = "anger" #renames geangry to anger

names(df_w)[names(df_w) == "geafraid"] = "afraid" #renames geafraid to fear

names(df_w)[names(df_w) == "turnout18"] = "voted18" #renames turnout18 to_u

voted18

df_w$voted18 = ifelse(df_w$voted18 %in% 1:3, "Voted", "Not Voted")

head(df_w)
```

```
afraid
                                           voted18
                          anger
                          <int>
                                   <int>
                                            <chr>
                                            Voted
                          2
                                   2
                          3
                                   5
                                           Not Voted
A data.frame: 6 \times 3
                         3
                                   2
                                           Not Voted
                         1
                                   1
                                           Not Voted
                      5 \mid 2
                                   3
                                           Voted
                      6 \mid 3
                                   3
                                           Voted
```

```
[57]: #fear vs. anger Wilcoxon ranked sum test

#two sided test indicate there is a difference in the distribution between the

→2 emotions, regardless of voting status

#one sided test indicate afraid's distribution is not greater than anger (i.e.

→anger is more influential overall)

df_long = df_w %>% gather(emo_type, rating, 1:2)

df_long %>% wilcox_test(rating ~ emo_type, paired = TRUE, detailed = TRUE,

→alternative = "two.sided") %>% add_significance() #are the sentiments

→different between fear and anger?
```

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                          -0.4999902
                                                                             325495
                                                                                       2.03e-26
                                     rating
                                             afraid
                                                      anger
                                                              2500
                                                                      2500
[58]: #fear vs. anger effect size
      #small effect size
      df_long %>% wilcox_effsize(rating ~ emo_type, paired = TRUE, detailed = TRUE)
                                     group1 group2 effsize
                                                                n1
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                                                                                small
[59]: #anger vs. voter status Wilcoxon ranked sum test
      #two sided test indicate there is a difference in the distribution between
       →voter status with respect to anger
      #one sided test indicate non-voters' anger distribution less than voter's anger_
       → distribution (i.e. anger is more influential among voters)
      df w %>% wilcox test(anger ~ voted18, detailed = TRUE, alternative = "two.
       →sided") %>% add_significance()
      df_w %>% wilcox_test(anger ~ voted18, detailed = TRUE, alternative = "less")__
       →%>% add_significance()
                          estimate
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                                                                                             1.12e-12
                                        anger
[60]: #anger vs. voter status effect size
      #small effect size
      df_w %>% wilcox_effsize(anger ~ voted18, detailed = TRUE)
     group2
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                                                                                  magnitude
                                                                   n1
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                                                        <dbl>
                                                                   <int>
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                                                                                  \langle \text{ord} \rangle
                                                        0.1403743
                                                                  658
                                                                          1842
                                                                                  \operatorname{small}
[61]: #comparing fear (afraid) against voters and non-voters
```

df\_long %>% wilcox\_test(rating ~ emo\_type, paired = TRUE, detailed = TRUE,\_\_ →alternative = "less") %>% add\_significance() #is the fear score higher than

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afraid

group1

group2

< chr >

anger

group2

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estimate

-0.4999902

estimate

```
#two sided test indicate there is a difference in the distribution between_
\top voter status with respect to anger

#one sided test indicate non-voters' fear distribution less than voter's fear_
\top distribution (i.e. fear is more influential among voters)

df_w %>% wilcox_test(afraid ~ voted18, detailed = TRUE, alternative = "two.
\top sided") %>% add_significance()

df_w %>% wilcox_test(afraid ~ voted18, detailed = TRUE, alternative = "less")_\top \top %>% add_significance()
```

	estimate	.y.	group1	group2	n1	n2	statistic	p	co
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	-5.007923e-05	afraid	Not Voted	Voted	658	1842	548633.5	0.000217	-2.
			1	0	-1	0			
	estimate	.y.	group1	group2	n1	n2	statistic	p	co
A rstatix_test: $1 \times 13$		.y. <chr></chr>	group1 <chr></chr>	group2 <chr></chr>	n1 <int></int>	n2 <int></int>	statistic <dbl></dbl>	p <dbl></dbl>	co

		.y.	group1	group2	effsize	n1	n2	magnitude
A rstatix_test: $1 \times 7$		<chr></chr>	<chr $>$	<chr $>$	<dbl $>$	<int $>$	<int $>$	$\langle \text{ord} \rangle$
	1	afraid	Not Voted	Voted	0.07395867	658	1842	small

Both anger and fear were influential among both voters and non-voters (via individual emotion vs. voting status tests). But when we compared the distribution of the 2 emotions together, agnostic of voting status, anger elicited a higher degree of response than fear.

#### 2.4.5 Chi-Square test

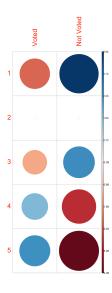
	scale	Voted	Not Voted
	$\langle ord \rangle$	<int $>$	<int $>$
	Not at all	342	185
A tibble: $5 \times 3$	A little	346	124
	Somewhat	393	183
	Very	379	90
	Extremely	380	75

```
[259]: #anger vs. turnout chi-square test and analysis
anger_chi = chisq.test(as.matrix(df_a[, -1]))
anger_chi
```

Pearson's Chi-squared test

```
data: as.matrix(df_a[, -1])
X-squared = 64.806, df = 4, p-value = 2.827e-13
```

$anger\_scale$	Voted	Not Voted
<chr $>$	<dbl $>$	<dbl $>$
1-Not at all	-2.35	3.94
2-A little	-0.02	0.03
3-Somewhat	-1.53	2.55
4-Very	1.80	-3.01
5-Extremely	2.44	-4.09
	<chr> 1-Not at all 2-A little 3-Somewhat 4-Very</chr>	1-Not at all -2.35 2-A little -0.02 3-Somewhat -1.53



The residuals tell us the most contributing cells to the total Chi-square score, which is also visualized in a plot by the size of the circle. The sign of the standardized residuals is important to interpret the association between fear scale and voting participation group.

- Positive Residuals: Positive values specify an attraction (positive association) between the each anger scale and each of the voter/non-voter group. This is shown as blue in the plot.
  - In the plot above, we can see that voters have a strong positive association with "very" and "extreme" rating of anger
- **Negative Residuals:** Negative values specify a repulsion (negative association) between the each anger scale and each of the voter/non-voter group. This is shown as red in the plot.
  - In the plot above, we can see that non-voters have a strong negative association with "very" and "extreme" rating of anger while they have a strong positive association with no fear (Not at all)

```
[249]: #setting up the wide format of df_fear to prep for chi-square test (association_
→between fear and 2018 voter turnout)

df_f = select(df_afraid, voted18, scale, count)

df_f = spread(df_f, voted18, count)

df_f = head(df_f, -1) #remove "NA" row from analysis

df_f
```

```
scale
                             Voted
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                 <ord>
                             <int>
                                     <int>
                Not at all
                             418
                                     189
A tibble: 5 \times 3 A little
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                                     149
                Somewhat
                            433
                                     169
                 Verv
                             343
                                     83
                Extremely
                            221
                                     66
```

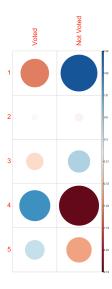
```
[250]: #fear vs. turnout chi-square test and analysis
fear_chi = chisq.test(as.matrix(df_f[, -1]))
fear_chi
```

Pearson's Chi-squared test

```
data: as.matrix(df_f[, -1])
X-squared = 20.147, df = 4, p-value = 0.0004671
```

```
is.cor = FALSE,
tl.cex = 2,
)
```

	$fear\_scale$	Voted	Not Voted
	<chr $>$	<dbl $>$	<dbl $>$
·	1-Not at all	-1.39	2.32
A data.frame: $5 \times 3$	2-A little	0.07	-0.12
	3-Somewhat	-0.51	0.85
	4-Very	1.64	-2.74
	5-Extremely	0.65	-1.09



Similar to the previous anger chi-square test, we observe an identical pattern in terms of association with fear, but to a lesser degree:

- Voters: In the plot above, there is a strong positive association with "very" rating of fear and a moderate association with the "extreme" rating of fear
- Non-Voters: In the plot above, there is a strong positive association with the no fear (Not at all) rating and a strong disassociation with the "very" and "extreme" fear rating

To assess for practical significance or the effect size of the chi-square tests, there are 3 options at our disposal:

- 1. Cramer's V
- 2. Phi  $(\phi)$
- 3. Odds ratio (OR)

For the goodness of fit in  $2 \times 2$  contingency tables, Phi is appropriate as it's equivalent to the correlation coefficient r, and a measure of effect size. However, our dataset is a not a 2x2 contingency

table. Thus, we decided to leverage Cramer's V to assess for practical significance, which can be characterized in the equation below. We also referenced this article from the National Center for Biotechnology Information.

$$V = \sqrt{\frac{\chi^2}{n * df}}$$

df = min(r - 1, c - 1) and r = number of rows and <math>c = number of columns in the contingency table.

We will also be using the below table to interpret the computed effect size (based on Jacob Cohen's Statistical Power Analysis for the Behavioral Sciences):

df	Small	Medium	Large
1	.10	.30	.50
2	.07	.21	.35
3	.06	.17	.29
4	.05	.15	.25
5	.04	.13	.22

```
[69]: #anger effect size

Cramers_V <- function(chi, n, df) round(sqrt((as.numeric(chi))/(n * df)),3)_\[
\infty #custom Cramers_V function

df = min(dim(df_a)) - 1 #degrees of freedom; min(r - 1, c - 1) and r = number_\[
\infty of rows and c = number of columns in the contingency table.

paste("Degree of freedom is:", df)

anger_effect = Cramers_V(chi = anger_chi$statistic, n = \[
\infty sum(colSums(df_a[,-1])), df = df) #V value calculation

paste("Anger V-value:", anger_effect)
```

'Degree of freedom is: 2'

'Anger V-value: 0.114'

```
[70]: #fear effect size

df2 = min(dim(df_f)) - 1 #degrees of freedom; min(r - 1, c - 1) and r = number

→ of rows and c = number of columns in the contingency table.

paste("Degree of freedom is:", df)

fear_effect = Cramers_V(chi = fear_chi$statistic, n = sum(colSums(df_f[,-1])),

→ df = df2) #V value calculation

paste("Fear V-value:", fear_effect)
```

'Degree of freedom is: 2'

'Fear V-value: 0.064'

#### **Q4** Results Interpretation

- Statistical significance: Because the Wilcoxon Ranked sum tests for both anger and fear returned extremely small p-value when compared between voters and non-voters, we can reject the null hypothesis and claim that the sentiment for both emotions were of a higher degree among voters rather than non-voters (by examining both the two-sided and less than tests for each emotion). Furthermore, the chi-square test also returned extremely small p-value, which provides evidence and confidence we can reject the null hypothesis and support the alternative hypothesis in which both emotions were influential. Similarily, the chi-square residuals also indicate that voters tended to have more extreme ratings of both anger and fear when compared against non-voters.
- Practical significance: Because the r (Wilcoxon Ranked sum test) the V (chi\_square) value for both emotions are quite small, neither of them are practically significant. However, because anger's effect value (both r and V) is higher than fear, anger seems to be more influential with respect to voter turnout.

In conclusion, both the Wilcoxon Ranked sum and chi-square tests indicate that if you want people to show up at the ballot box, anger is a compelling impetus.

## 2.5 Question 5: Select a fifth question that you believe is important for understanding the behavior of voters

#### Our Question is:

Is there a difference in racial favorability between self-identified Democrats and Republicans on people of non-Caucasian descent?

#### Our Reasoning is:

- Voter behavior is a complex topic often fueled with emotional and latent biases. We are interested in voters' sentiment towards people of non-Caucasian descent and if there are substantial differences between self-identified Republicans and Democrats.
- We also aim to identify the minority group among those surveyed that exhibit the largest contrast in favorability score between Republican and Democratic respondents.
- We hope this analysis can fuel further research into latent biases and the role political parties play in having such biases.

#### Our goals are:

- We want to understand the racial makeup of self-identified Democrats and Republicans that partook in the survey, since a dominant race in any group can optimize for one's own interest (i.e. give higher rating score to one's own race) while minimizing minority groups
- We want to visually inspect the score distribution of each race between Democrats and Republicans and observe any large differences where it could lead to divergent feelings
- We want to identify potential races that we hypothesize could be statistically and practically significant between the 2 political parties, so we can conduct the approriate testings at the individual race level

#### Our data is:

- Party affliation: We will operationalize "pid1d" and "pid1r" variables to identify each respondent's political party (excluding no answers, legitimate skips and all non-Democrat and Republican respondents)
- Race: We will identify each respondent's race through the "race" variable
- Racial sentiment scores: We will operationalize ftblack (Feelings toward Blacks), ftasian (Asians), fthisp (Hispanics), ftmuslim (Muslims), and ftwhite (whites) to extract the sentiment scores. The specific question and score scale is included below.

#### Question format:

How would you rate (blacks, Hispanics, Asians, Muslims)?

#### Hypothesis Testing

We believe a two sided, two sample T-test is appropriate for 4 reasons:

- 1. We're interested in knowing whether there is a difference between 2 groups (self-professed Republicans and Democrats)
- 2. Each observation is a random sample (independently and identically distributed) from the population meaning that each observation is independent of one another
- 3. We have over 600 observations for each party, well over the n>30 minimum requirement to invoke the Central Limit Theorem
- 4. The dependent variable, sentiment score, is interval

Thus, we will conduct an independent two-sample T-test to determine if the mean difference of racial sentiment scores for non-Caucasians between self-identified Republicans and Democrats are statistically significant or not.

#### Null hypothesis:

•  $H_0: \mu_{DemocratRace} = \mu_{RepublicanRace}$ ; there is no difference in mean racial sentiment score of non-Caucasians between Democrats and Republicans

#### Alternative hypothesis:

•  $H_a: \mu_{DemocratRace} \neq \mu_{RepublicanRace}$ ; there is a difference in mean racial sentiment score of non-Caucasians between Democrats and Republicans

#### 2.5.1 Perform EDA and select your hypothesis test (5 points)

```
[266]: #create a copy of the original dataframe
A5 = data.frame(A)

[243]: #create dataframe with race and pid1d variables
    race_d = select(A, race, pid1d)
    race_d = race_d[!(race_d$pid1d == -7 | race_d$pid1d == -1 | race_d$pid1d == \( \to 4 \),] #removes no answer, legit skips and something else from pid1d
    names(race_d) [names(race_d) == "pid1d"] = "party"

#unique(race_d$party)
head(race_d)
```

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race
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                                       <int>
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                             3
                                       3
A data.frame: 6 \times 2
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                             3
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                        11
                            1
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                                       2
                        12
                             1
                        14 \mid 1
                                       1
```

```
[244]: #create dataframe with race and pid1r variables
  race_r = select(A, race, pid1r)
  race_r = race_r[!(race_r$pid1r == -7 | race_r$pid1r == -1 | race_r$pid1r == 4),]
  names(race_r)[names(race_r) == "pid1r"] = "party"

#unique(race_d$party)
  head(race_r)
```

```
race
                                    party
                           <int>
                                    <int>
                                    2
                           1
                                    3
A data.frame: 6 \times 2
                           1
                                    2
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race
                                   party
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                        White
                                   Republican
                        Hispanic
                                  Independent
A data.frame: 6 \times 2
                        Hispanic Democrat
                    10
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                        White
                                   Democrat
                    12
                        White
                                   Republican
                    14
                        White
                                   Democrat
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percent
                    party
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                    <fct>
                               <fct>
                                                 <int>
                                                        <dbl>
                    Democrat
                               White
                                                 571
                                                        66.6277713
                    Democrat Black
                                                 152
                                                        17.7362894
A grouped_df: 6 \times 4
                    Democrat Hispanic
                                                95
                                                        11.0851809
                    Democrat Asian
                                                 18
                                                        2.1003501
                    Democrat Native American 2
                                                        0.2333722
                    Democrat Mixed
                                                 16
                                                        1.8669778
```

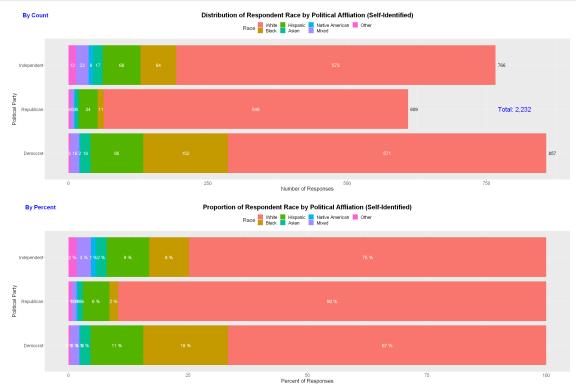
```
[76]: #count of respondents' race by political party affliation
      options(repr.plot.width = 24, repr.plot.height = 16)
      race_count = ggplot(race_long, mapping = aes(x = party, y = count, fill = __
       ⇒race)) +
          facet_grid() +
          geom_col() +
          coord_flip() +
          geom_text(aes(label = count, y = count), size = 5, position =_
       →position_stack(vjust = 0.5), color = "white") +
          stat_summary(fun = sum, aes(label = ..y.., group = party), size = 5, geom = __
       \rightarrow"text", hjust = -.3) +
          annotate(geom = "text", x = 2, y = 800, label = "Total: 2,232", color = (x + 2)^2
       \rightarrow"blue", size = 7) +
          labs(title="Distribution of Respondent Race by Political Affliation_ ⊔
       \hookrightarrow (Self-Identified)", y = "Number of Responses", x = "Political Party") +
          theme(strip.text.x = element_text(size = 18, color = "black")) +
          scale_fill_discrete(name = "Race") +
          plot_theme
```

```
[78]: #Side by side plots of count and proportion

plot_grid(race_count, NULL, race_prop, ncol = 1, align = "h", rel_heights = □

→c(2, .1, 2), labels = c("By Count", "", "By Percent"), label_size = 18, □

→label_colour = "blue")
```



While white is the predominant race in each of the 3 parties, the least diversified race mixtures resides with self-proclaimed Republicans and the most diversified lies with Democrats.

Next, we will ignore each respondent's race and examine the relationship between the thermometer ratings of non-Caucasian races (blacks, Hispanics, Asians, and Muslims) and the 2 dominant political parties of the United States, Democratic and Republican. Ultimately, we would like to know whether if there is a substantial difference in the perception of non-Caucasians, especially given that both parties are predominantly white. Below is the question and response scale used in the survey.

```
[271]: #extract pid1d and response column for blacks (ftblack), Hispanics (fthisp), 

→ Asians (ftasian), Muslims (ftmuslim), and whites (ftwhite)

therm_d = select(A5, pid1d, ftblack, fthisp, ftasian, ftmuslim, ftwhite)
```

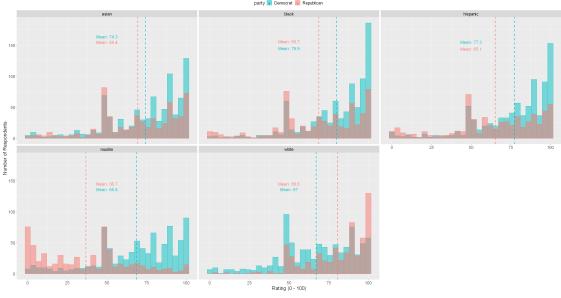
```
therm d = therm d[!(therm d pid1d == -7 | therm d pid1d == -1 | therm d pid1d]
      →== 3 | therm d$pid1d == 4),] #removes no answer, legit skips and non
      \rightarrow Democrats and Republicans
      colnames(therm_d) = c("party", "black", "hispanic", "asian", "muslim", "white")__
       →#rename column names
      #extract pid1r and response column for blacks (ftblack), Hispanics (fthisp),
      → Asians (ftasian), Muslims (ftmuslim), and whites (ftwhite)
      therm r = select(A5, pid1r, ftblack, fthisp, ftasian, ftmuslim, ftwhite)
      therm_r = therm_r[!(therm_r$pid1r == -7 | therm_r$pid1r == -1 | therm_r$pid1r_u
      →== 3 | therm_r$pid1r == 4),] #removes no answer, legit skips and non_
      \rightarrowDemocrats and Republicans
      colnames(therm_r) = c("party", "black", "hispanic", "asian", "muslim", "white")
       →#rename column names
      #combine both dataframes
      therma_wide = rbind(therm_d, therm_r)
      therma wide$party = factor(therma wide$party, levels = 1:2, labels = 1
      #convert combined wide into long format
      therma_long = therma_wide %>% gather(race, rating, "black", "hispanic", __
      therma_long = therma_long[!(therma_long$rating == -7),] #remove no responses
      therma_long = transform(therma_long, group = ifelse(race == "white", __
      therma long = therma long[c(4,1,2,3)]
      stopifnot(unique(therma long$race) ==___
      stopifnot(nrow(therma_long) == 7326)
      #head(therma_long)
[276]: #summary of count, mean, standard deviation, and standard error of the sample
      sumdata = ddply(therma long, c("party", "race"), summarize, count = ____
      -length(rating), mean = round(mean(rating),2), median = median(rating),
                   sd = round(sd(rating),2))
      →sample"
      sumdata
```

'Summary of party, race, count, mean, median and standard deviation of the sample'

party	race	count	mean	median	$\operatorname{sd}$
<fct $>$	<chr $>$	<int $>$	<dbl $>$	<dbl $>$	<dbl $>$
Democrat	asian	857	74.27	80.0	23.57
Democrat	black	857	79.91	86.0	21.08
Democrat	hispanic	857	77.31	84.0	22.81
Democrat	$\operatorname{muslim}$	857	68.77	73.0	25.35
Democrat	white	857	67.04	70.0	23.67
Republican	asian	608	69.36	71.5	24.69
Republican	black	609	68.74	72.0	26.00
Republican	hispanic	607	65.12	70.0	27.29
Republican	$\operatorname{muslim}$	609	36.71	39.0	28.10
Republican	white	608	80.59	87.0	19.11
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```
[81]: #facted histogram of sentiment scores towards difference race by party_
      \hookrightarrow affliation
      options(repr.plot.width = 26, repr.plot.height = 14)
      race_histo = ggplot(therma_long, aes(rating, fill = party, color = party)) +
          geom_histogram(position = "identity", alpha = .5, bins = 30) +
          facet_wrap(.~race) +
          geom_vline(data = sumdata, aes(xintercept = mean, color = party), linetypeu
       \rightarrow= "dashed", size = 1) +
          geom_text_repel(data = sumdata, aes(label = paste("Mean:" , round(mean,1)),__
       \hookrightarrowcolor = party, x = 50, y = 150), size = 5, direction = "y", segment.color =
       →"white") +
          labs(title = "Distribution of Racial Sentiment Ratings by Party Affliation, |
       \hookrightarrow (Self-Identified)", x = "Rating (0 - 100)", y = "Number of Respondents") +
          theme(strip.text.x = element_text(size = 14, colour = "black")) +
          scale_fill_manual(values = c("#00BFC4", "#F8766D")) +
          scale_color_manual(values = c("#00BFC4", "#F8766D")) +
          plot_theme
      race_histo
```

### Distribution of Racial Sentiment Ratings by Party Affliation (Self-Identified)



```
#facted density plot of sentiment scores towards difference race by party_

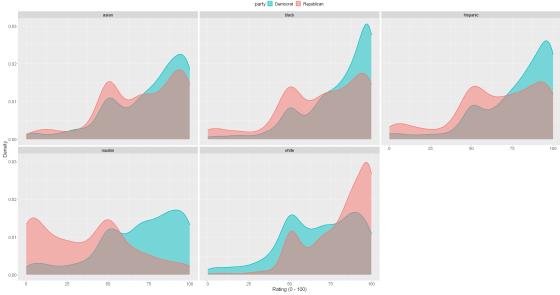
→ affliation

race_dens = ggplot(therma_long, aes(rating, fill = party, color = party)) +
        geom_density(position = "identity", size = 1, alpha = .5) +
        facet_wrap(.~race, nrow = 2) +
        labs(title = "Density of Racial Sentiment Ratings by Party Affliation_

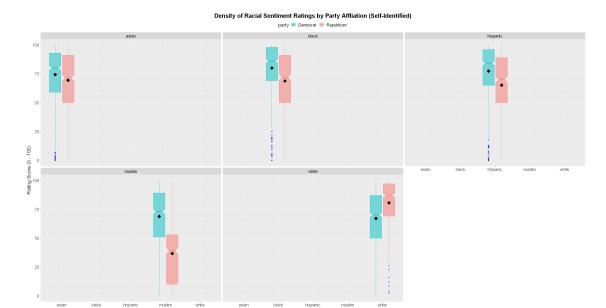
→ (Self-Identified)", x = "Rating (0 - 100)", y = "Density") +
        scale_fill_manual(values = c("#00BFC4", "#F8766D")) +
        scale_color_manual(values = c("#00BFC4", "#F8766D")) +
        theme(strip.text.x = element_text(size = 14, colour = "black")) +
        plot_theme

race_dens
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#### Density of Racial Sentiment Ratings by Party Affliation (Self-Identified)



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[84]: #facted notched box plot of sentiment scores towards difference race by party_
                       \hookrightarrow affliation
                     race_box = ggplot(therma_long, aes(x = race, y = rating, fill = party, color = color =
                         →party)) +
                                    geom_boxplot(alpha = .5, outlier.color = "blue", notch = TRUE) +
                                    facet_wrap(race ~., nrow = 2) +
                                    labs(title = "Density of Racial Sentiment Ratings by Party Affliation L |
                         \hookrightarrow (Self-Identified)", x = "Race", y = "Rating Score (0 - 100)") +
                                    scale_fill_manual(values = c("#00BFC4", "#F8766D")) +
                                    scale_color_manual(values = c("#00BFC4", "#F8766D")) +
                                    theme(strip.text.x = element_text(size = 14, colour = "black")) +
                                    stat_summary(fun = mean, geom ="point", shape = 23, fill = "black", ___
                         ⇒aes(group = party),
                                                                                  position = position_dodge2(.75), color = "black", size = 4) +
                                    plot_theme
                     race_box
```



From the facted histogram and density plots and summary statistics table, we can draw several interesting conclusions just from the visual inspection:

- Self-identified Republicans rated white the highest while Democrats rated white the lowest out of the 5 races
- The largest disparity in sentiment rating between Democrats and Republicans is Muslim
- White is the only race in which Republicans had a higher mean and median sentiment score than Democrats
- Outliers in Asian, black, and Hispanic by Democrats indicate potentially dissenting views while the lack of outliers in the same set of races by Republicans indicate consistent views

## 2.5.2 Conduct your test. (2 points)

# 2.5.3 All minority races grouped together

Shapiro-Wilk normality test

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data: minority$rating[0:5000]
W = 0.89642, p-value < 2.2e-16</pre>
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[86]: #two-sample T-test to determine if the mean difference of racial favorability.
       →score for all surveyed minority races is statistically significant between_
       \rightarrowRepublicans and Democrats
      t.test(rating ~ party, data = minority)
     Welch Two Sample t-test
     data: rating by party
     t = 20.779, df = 4455, p-value < 2.2e-16
     alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
     95 percent confidence interval:
      13.66668 16.51426
     sample estimates:
       mean in group Democrat mean in group Republican
                      75.06622
                                               59.97575
[87]: #Cohen's d to assess practical significance
      cohen.d(rating ~ party, data = minority)
     Cohen's d
     d estimate: 0.5726353 (medium)
     95 percent confidence interval:
         lower
                   upper
     0.5196435 0.6256271
     2.5.4 Asian specific tests
[88]: #Shapiro-Wilke test to assess normality
      asian = data.frame(therma_long[(therma_long$race == "asian"),])
      shapiro.test(asian$rating)
     Shapiro-Wilk normality test
     data: asian$rating
     W = 0.90854, p-value < 2.2e-16
[89]: | #two-sample T-test to determine if the mean difference of racial favorability ⊔
      \rightarrow towards Asians is statistically significant between Republicans and Democrats
      t.test(rating ~ party, data = asian)
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data: rating by party
     t = 3.8226, df = 1269.3, p-value = 0.0001384
     alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
     95 percent confidence interval:
      2.390679 7.431728
     sample estimates:
       mean in group Democrat mean in group Republican
                     74.27305
                                               69.36184
[90]: #Cohen's d to assess practical significance
      cohen.d(rating ~ party, data = asian)
     Cohen's d
     d estimate: 0.204302 (small)
     95 percent confidence interval:
         lower
                   upper
     0.1000267 0.3085774
     2.5.5 Black specific tests
[91]: #Shapiro-Wilke test to assess normality
      black = data.frame(therma_long[(therma_long$race == "black"),])
      shapiro.test(black$rating)
     Shapiro-Wilk normality test
     data: black$rating
     W = 0.88076, p-value < 2.2e-16
[92]: #two-sample T-test to determine if the mean difference of racial favorability.
      →towards blacks is statistically significant between Republicans and Democrats
      t.test(rating ~ party, data = black)
     Welch Two Sample t-test
     data: rating by party
     t = 8.7535, df = 1133.2, p-value < 2.2e-16
     alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
     95 percent confidence interval:
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Welch Two Sample t-test

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sample estimates:
       mean in group Democrat mean in group Republican
                     79.91482
                                               68.74384
[93]: #Cohen's d to assess practical significance
      cohen.d(rating ~ party, data = black)
     Cohen's d
     d estimate: 0.4804505 (small)
     95 percent confidence interval:
         lower
                   upper
     0.3750415 0.5858595
     2.5.6 Hispanic specific tests
[94]: #Shapiro-Wilke test to assess normality
      hispanic = data.frame(therma_long[(therma_long$race == "hispanic"),])
      shapiro.test(hispanic$rating)
     Shapiro-Wilk normality test
     data: hispanic$rating
     W = 0.89001, p-value < 2.2e-16
[95]: #two-sample T-test to determine if the mean difference of racial favorability.
      →towards Hispanics is statistically significant between Republicans and
       \rightarrowDemocrats
      t.test(rating ~ party, data = hispanic)
     Welch Two Sample t-test
     data: rating by party
     t = 8.9972, df = 1154.1, p-value < 2.2e-16
     alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
     95 percent confidence interval:
       9.527416 14.841569
     sample estimates:
       mean in group Democrat mean in group Republican
                     77.30805
                                               65.12356
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8.667048 13.674906

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[96]: #Cohen's d to assess practical significance
      cohen.d(rating ~ party, data = hispanic)
     Cohen's d
     d estimate: 0.491993 (small)
     95 percent confidence interval:
         lower
                   upper
     0.3864133 0.5975727
     2.5.7 Muslim specific tests
[97]: #Shapiro-Wilke test to assess normality
      muslim = data.frame(therma_long[(therma_long$race == "muslim"),])
      shapiro.test(muslim$rating)
     Shapiro-Wilk normality test
     data: muslim$rating
     W = 0.93851, p-value < 2.2e-16
[98]: #two-sample T-test to determine if the mean difference of racial favorability.
      →towards Muslims is statistically significant between Republicans and
      \rightarrow Democrats
      t.test(rating ~ party, data = muslim)
     Welch Two Sample t-test
     data: rating by party
     t = 22.414, df = 1223.7, p-value < 2.2e-16
     alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
     95 percent confidence interval:
      29.25635 34.86942
     sample estimates:
       mean in group Democrat mean in group Republican
                     68.76896
                                               36.70608
[99]: #Cohen's d to assess practical significance
      cohen.d(rating ~ party, data = muslim)
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#### Cohen's d

d estimate: 1.208754 (large)
95 percent confidence interval:

lower upper 1.095946 1.321562

### 2.5.8 Conclusion (3 points)

If we bundle all of the surveyed minorities' (Asian, black, Hispanic, Muslim) favorability scores into a single group, we can conclude that there is a statistically significant (at 1% level) difference in the mean sentiment between self-identified Republicans and Democrats towards non-Caucasians. Additionally, the difference is moderately high, which is enough for us and policy makers to take into consideration. Moreover, if we were to repeat this study numerous times, we are 95% confident that the true difference in mean sentiment score between Democrats and Republicans is between 13.7 and 16.5. Democrats tend to rate non-Caucasians 13.7 to 16.5 points higher than Republicans on average.

When we performed the same analysis by examining the sentiment score of each race separately, we found all of the race specific tests to be statistically signifiant, but the largest disparity of racial favorability score were among Muslims. Specifically, we can be 95% confident that Democrats will rate Muslims between 29 - 35 points higher than Republicans on average. The smallest difference were among Asians while Hispanics and blacks observed similar differences among Republican and Democratic respondents.

Race	Statistically Significant?	Effect Size	95% Confidence Interval
Asian	Yes	Small	2.4 - 7.4
Black	Yes	$\operatorname{Small}$	8.7 - 13.7
Hispanic	Yes	Small - Medium	9.5 - 14.8
Muslim	Yes	Large	29.3 - 34.9

In conclusion, not only is there a difference in racial sentiment/favorability of non-Caucasians between self-identified Republicans and Democrats that were part of the survey, but our tests seem to indicate there may be an underlying pattern in Republican idealogy that influences the perception of whites to be more favorable than non-whites in which results in a consistently lower racial sentiment score of non-Caucasians when compared to Democrats.